

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The specification is amended above to correct certain typographical errors and to comport with the drawings.

FIG. 1A is amended to add the reference numeral 100, to comport with the specification.

FIG. 4 is amended to delete certain elements (highlighted) to comport with the specification.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (408) 530-9700.

Respectfully submitted,
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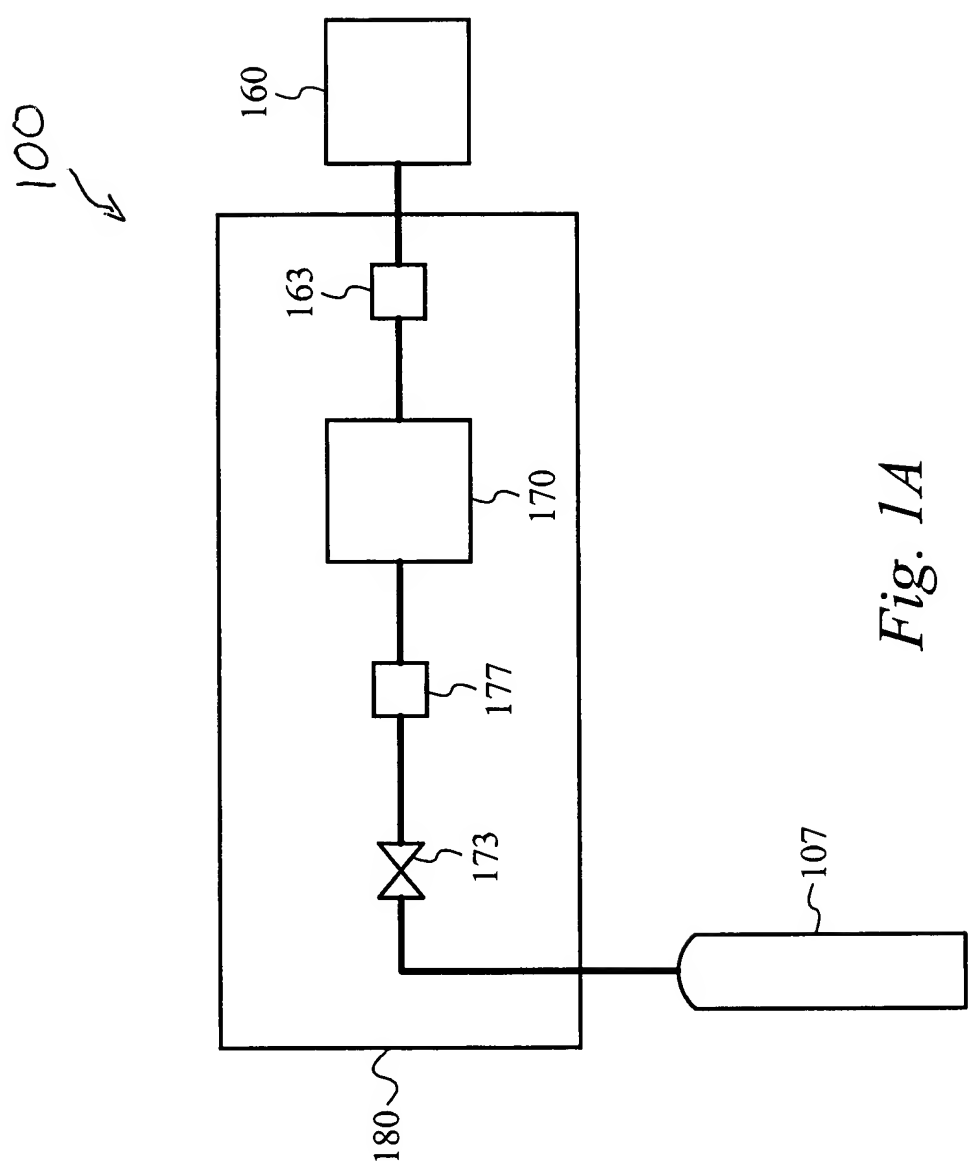


Fig. 1A

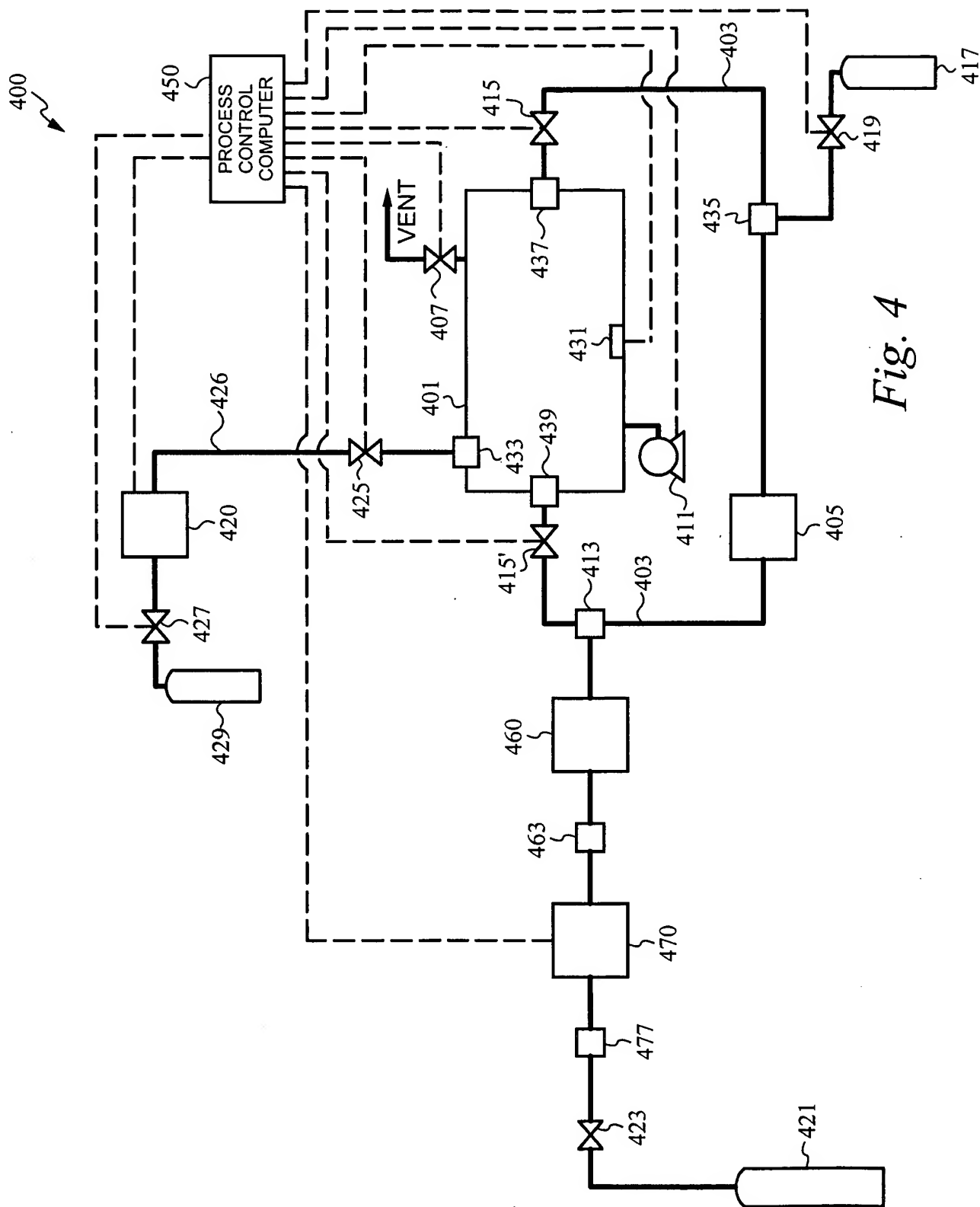


Fig. 4